



## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 3711** PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SOLID MULTI-PIECE GOLF BALL

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ATTN: BOX AF Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 15, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claim:

17. (New) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the Shore D hardness of the mantle is less

than the Shore D hardness of the surface of the solid core.

## REMARKS

Claims 1 and 4-17 are all the claims now pending in the application.